आदि के उपबंधों को इस अधिनियम के अधीन समुचित प्राधिकारी द्वारा प्रवर्तित किया जाता है और उसके द्वारा निर्धारित मजदूरी की अदायगी को सुनिश्चित किया जाता है।

Non Payment of Statutory dues to workers of PSUs

2569. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether non-payment of statutory dues amounting to Rs. 1,000 crores to workers of several sick Public Sector Undertakings for long periods has been reported;

(b) if so, the details of non-paid amount, PSU-wise as on 31st July, 1997;

(c) whether Government propose to take some measures for early payment of these statutory dues to the workers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) and (b) Based on the information available from the major Ministries/Departments having administrative charge of various CPSU's the total outstanding arrears on non-payment of wages and other statutory dues to the workers of various CPSUs as on 30-9-96 amounted to Rs. 925.61 crores. This amount declined to Rs. 604.7 crores as on 31-7-97.

(c) and (d) A note on non-payment of statutory dues to the employees of CPSUs was prepared and placed before the Cabinet on 19-7-97. The Cabinet appointed a Sub-Committee comprising Minister of Agriculture as Chairman of the Committee, Minister of Finance and Minister of State for Labour as members to further consider the issue.

North-East Labour Minister's Conference

2570. SHRI TARA CHARAN MAJUMDAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the North-east Labour Ministers' Conference was organised at Shilong in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof, with the objectives and the names of States which participated;

(c) whether some suggestions on optimum use of existing facilities for better human resource training in the North-east was emphasised;

(d) whether the Conference regretted that very few Industrial Training Institutes exit in Private Sector in the Region;

(e) whether Government propose to set-up I.T.Is. with 100 per cent grant in the region to develop the workforce; and

(f) if so, the number of such Institutes to be set-up in Assam, with their locations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI M. P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The Conference of Labour Ministers of North Eastern States was held on 18th July, 1997 at Shillong.

(b) The Conference discussed the following subjects in respect of North Eastern States:

(i) Vocational training facilities available and the steps to their facilities that need to be bridged;

(ii) EPF and ESIC schemes being implemented for labour in the states of the region;

(iii) Labour Welfare schemes being implemented for labour in the states of the region;